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This is a communication from the examiner in charge of your application.

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This application has been examined Responsive to communication filed on $\frac{7-5-85}{7-15-35}$	•				
This application has been examined Responsive to communication filed on 7-15-85	This action is made final.				
A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire month(s), days from Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. 35 U.S.C.	the date of this letter. 133				
Part I THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMENT(S) ARE PART OF THIS ACTION:  L Notice of References Cited by Examiner, PTO-892. 2. Notice re Patent Drawin 3. Notice of Art Cited by Applicant, PTO-1449 4. Notice of informal Pater 5. Information on How to Effect Drawing Changes, PTO-1474 6.	g, PTO-948. It Application, Form PTO-152				
Part II SUMMARY OF ACTION					
1. X Claims 1-7, 16-31	are pending in the application.				
	are withdrawn from consideration.				
2. Claims_	_ have been cancelled.				
3. Claims	_ are allowed.				
4. 💢 Claims	are rejected.				
5. Claims	_ are objected to.				
6. Claims are subject to	restriction or election requirement.				
7. This application has been filed with informal drawings which are acceptable for examination purpose	es until such time as allowable subject				
matter is indicated.  8.  Altowable subject matter having been indicated, formal drawings are required in response to this Office action.					
9. The corrected or substitute drawings have been received on These draw These draw	vings areacceptable;				
The proposed drawing correction and/or the proposed additional or substitute sheet(s) of drawings, filed on has (have) been approved by the examiner. disapproved by the examiner (see explanation).					
11. The proposed drawing correction, filed					
12. Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has	been received not been received				
been filed in parent application, serial no. ; filed on	on as to the movite is elegad in				
<ol> <li>Since this application appears to be in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.</li> </ol>	m as to the Met(12 12 C102et III				
14.` [_] Other					

EXAMINER'S ACTION

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Claims 1-4, 16-31 are again rejected under 35 USC 103 as being obvious over the art of record for reasons of record. Applicant's arguments and the two 312 declarations have been carefully considered, but are deemed unpersuasive for the following reasons:

- 1. The evidence presented is not commensurate with the breath of the claims. The temperature 37°C and 50°C are not room temperatures such as 20°C or 25°C. Only three salts are being compared whereas eight salts are being claimed.
- 2. The samples were compared in chemical compound form only not in pharmaceutical formulation form. A pharmaceutical formulation can be in aqueous solution or mixed with inert carriers to form capsule or tablet and the like.
- 3. The table showing the degradation product is not convincing. It appears that calcium and magnesium salts at one and half month are actually less stable than omeprazole. The sodium salt, magnesium salt, calcium salt are less stable than the neutral compound at 37/80.
- 4. The remark at page 4 of applicant's response is not well taken. CF3 group is not listed at page 831 as an election withdrawing group. As a matter of fact  $-e_{H3}$   $-c_{F3}$  group should stablize the anion.

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Claims 5-7 are withdrawn from further consideration by the examiner, 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected invention. Election was made without traverse in Paper No. 9.

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a). The practice of automatically extending the shortened statutory period an additional month upon the filing of a timely first response to a final rejection has been discontinued by the Office. See 1021 TMOG 35.

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE TO THIS FINAL ACTION IS SET TO EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ACTION. IN THE EVENT A FIRST RESPONSE IS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE MAILING DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION AND THE ADVISORY ACTION IS NOT MAILED UNTIL AFTER THE END OF THE THREE-MONTH SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD, THEN THE SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD WILL EXPIRE ON THE DATE THE ADVISORY ACTION IS MAILED, AND ANY EXTENSION FEE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.136(a) WILL BE CALCULATED FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THE ADVISORY ACTION. IN NO EVENT WILL THE STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE EXPIRE LATER THAN SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION.

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